



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:
Yudovsky, et al.**

Serial No.: 10/614,992

Confirmation No.: 8160

Filed: July 7, 2003

For: SELF ALIGNING NON
CONTACT SHADOW
RING PROCESS KIT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Group Art Unit: 1763

Examiner: Unknown

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING
37 CFR 1.8

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The Applicants, and the Attorney who signs below on the basis of the information supplied by the inventor and the information in his file, submit herewith patents, publications, or other information of which they are aware, which may be material to the examination of this application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56.

While the information submitted in this Information Disclosure Statement may be material pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that any patent, publication, or other information referred to therein is prior art for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97, this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no other possibly material information as defined under 37 CFR § 1.56(a) exists.

The patents and/or publications submitted herewith are set forth on the attached Form PTO-1449.

10614992

RAHT 00000066

三
四

四

三

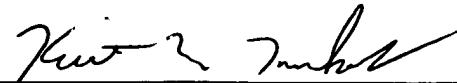
四

四

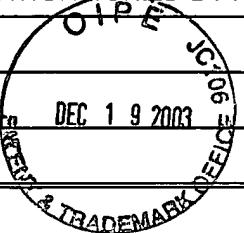
三

If the sum of \$180.00 is due under 37 CFR § 1.17(p) pursuant to § 1.97, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge this fee, and any other fee necessary to make this submission timely, to the Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/4191.C1/KMT.

Respectfully submitted,



Keith M. Tackett
Registration No. 32,008
MOSER, PATTERSON & SHERIDAN, L.L.P.
3040 Post Oak Blvd. Suite 1500
Houston, TX 77056
Telephone: (713) 623-4844
Facsimile: (713) 623-4846
Attorney for Applicant(s)

U.S. Department of Commerce, Patent and Trademark Office (PTO Form 1449 modified)				Docket No.	Serial No.			
				AMAT/4191/MD/PLUG/DV	09/459,313			
LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS CITED BY APPLICANT (Use several sheets if necessary)				Applicant				
 Yudovsky et al.								
				Filing Date	Group			
				12/10/1999	Unknown			
U.S. Patent Documents								
*Examiner Initial		Document Number	Issue Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date If Appropriate	
	A1	5,304,248	04/19/1994	Cheng, et al.				
	A2	5,326,725	07/05/1994	Sherstinsky et al.				
	A3	5,328,722	07/12/1994	Ghanayem et al.				
	A4	5,352,294	10/04/1994	White et al.				
	A5	5,476,548	12/19/1995	Lei, et al.				
	A6	5,516,367	05/14/1996	Lei et al.				
	A7	5,584,936	12/17/1996	Pickering, et al.				
	A8	5,632,873	05/27/1997	Stevens et al.				
	A9	5,769,951	06/23/1998	Van de Ven, et al.				
	A10	5,846,332	12/08/1998	Zhao, et al.				
	A11	5,860,640	01/19/1999	Marohl et al.				
Foreign Patent Documents								
Translation								
		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Subclass	Yes	No
	B1	EP 0 553 691	08/04/1993	Europe				
	B2	EP 0 688 888	12/27/1995	Europe				
	B3	EP 0 698 674	02/28/1996	Europe				
	B4	EP 0 747 934	12/11/1996	Europe				
OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)								
	C1	EP search report dated April 2, 2001.						
	C2	Foreign search report dated July 10, 2002.						
Examiner		Date Considered						
<p>*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with your communication to applicant.</p>								

U.S. Department of Commerce, Patent and Trademark Office (PTO Form 1449 modified)					Docket No.	Serial No.	
					AMAT/4191/MD/PLUG/DV	09/459,313	
LIST OF PATENTS AND PUBLICATIONS CITED BY APPLICANT (Use several sheets if necessary)					Applicant		
DEC 19 2003 U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE SEARCHED INDEXED SERIALIZED FILED SC103					Yudovsky et al.		
					Filing Date	Group	
					12/10/1999	Unknown	
U.S. Patent Documents							
*Examiner Initial		Document Number	Issue Date	Name	Class	Subclass	Filing Date If Appropriate
	A1	5,882,419	03/16/1999	Sinha et al.			
	A2	5,888,304	03/30/1999	Umotoy, et al.			
	A3	6,040,011	03/21/2000	Yudovsky, et al.			
	A4	6,186,092	02/13/2001	Tsai, et al.			
	A5	6,231,674	05/15/2001	Chen, et al.			
	A6	6,328,808	12/11/2001	Tsai, et al.			
	A7	6,355,108	03/12/2002	Won, et al.			
	A8	6,364,954	04/02/2002	Umotoy, et al.			
	A9	6,368,450	04/09/2002	Hayashi			
	A10	6,375,748	04/23/2002	Yudovsky, et al.			
	A11	6,511,543	01/28/2003	Stauss, et al.			
Foreign Patent Documents							
Translation							
		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Subclass	Yes
	B1	EP 0 776 990	06/04/1997	Europe			
	B2	EP 0 807 960	11/19/1997	Europe			
	B3	JP 2001-274104	10/05/2001	Japan			
OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
	C1						
Examiner			Date Considered				
*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with your communication to applicant.							